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In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Svein Myhre

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For: METHOD FOR PROVIDING A HINGED
GUARANTEE CLOSURE, A HINGED
GUARANTEE CLOSURE AND CONTAINER
WITH A HINGED GUARANTEE CLOSURE

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Examiner: Christopher Brian McKinley

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Further to Applicants' Duty of Disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants wish to bring to the Examiner's attention the material cited on the enclosed PTO/SB/08a form. Copies of the cited documents are enclosed. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(ii), copies of the cited U.S. publications and/or patent documents have not been included.

The references cited in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement were listed in the enclosed Norwegian Office Action and Search Report, and a Japanese Office Action (translation enclosed), received from foreign patent offices in counterpart applications.

Reference DE 197 34 874 is submitted herewith in the German language with an English language Abstract. After a diligent search, no English language equivalents or abstracts were found for references DE 201 11 584 and DE 295 12 523, submitted herewith in the German language. The relevancy of these references is set forth in the enclosed Norwegian Office Action and Search Report in which they were cited.

Reference WO 90/14286 (copy enclosed) appears to be the English language equivalent of JP-A-H06-506425, which is submitted herewith in the Japanese language, and illustrates and describes the same structure. After a diligent search, no English language equivalents or abstracts were found for reference JPU-H03-029460, which is submitted herewith in the Japanese language. The relevancy of these references is set forth in the enclosed translation of the Japanese Office Action in which they were cited.

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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider these documents and return an initialed copy of the PTO/SB/08a form indicating their consideration of the cited materials.

Respectfully submitted,

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